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### OIL, GAS AND MINERAL LEASE

THIS AGREEMENT made this 07 day of October, 2009, between, Rodney Hicks and wife, Angela Hicks, Lessors (whether one or more), whose address is: 716 Stonestate Dr., Artington, Texas 78002, and XTO Energy Inc., whose address is: 810 Houston St., Fort Worth, Texas 76102.

1. Lessor, in consideration of ten dollars and other valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and of the covenants and agreements of Lessee hereinafter contained, does hereby grant, lesse and let unto Lessee the land covered hereby for the supposes and with the exclusive right of exploring, drilling, mining and operating tor, producing and owning oil, gas, sulphur and all other minerals (whether or not similar to those mentioned), logether with the right to make surveys on said land, lay pipe lines, establish and utilize facilities for surface or subsurface disposal of salt water, construct roads and bridges, dig canals, build tanks, power stations, telephone lines, employee houses and other structures on said land, necessary or useful in Lessee's operations in exploring, drilling for, producing, storing and transporting minerals produced from the land covered hereby or any other land adjacent thereto. The land covered hereby, herein called "said land," is located in the County of Tarrant, State of Texas, and is described as follows:

Lot 6, Block 13, of Fossil Lake, Section 2, an Addition to the City of Arlington, Tarrant County, Texas, according to the Plat thereof recorded in Cabinet A, Slide 7346, Plat Records, Tarrant County, Texas.

SEE ATTACHED EXHIBIT "A"

This lease also covers and includes, in addition to that above described, all land, if any, contiguous or adjacent to or adjoining the land above described and (a) owned or claimed by Lessor by limitation, prescription, possession, reversion, after-acquired title or unrecorded instrument or (b) as to which Lessor has a preference right of acquisition. Lessor agrees to execute any supplemental instrument requested by Lesses for a more complete or accurate description of said land. For the purpose of determining the amount of any bonus or other payment hereunder, said land shall be deemed to contain 0.142 acres, whether actually containing more or less, and the above recital of acreage in any tract shall be deemed to be the true acreage thereof. Lessor accepts the bonus as lump sum consideration for this lease and all rights and options hereunder.

- 2. Unless sooner terminated or longer kept in force under other provisions hereof, this lease shall remain in force for a term of Three (3) years from the date hereof, hereinafter called "primary term," and as long thereafter as operations, as hereinafter defined, are conducted upon said land with no cessation for more than ninety (90) consecutive days.
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  3. As royalty, Lessee covenants and agrees: (a) To deliver to the credit of Lessor, in the pipe line to which Lessee may connect its wells, the equal 25% part of suit of produced and saved by Lessee from said land, or from time to lime, at the option of Lessee, to pay Lessor the average posted market price of such 25% part of such oil at the wells as of the day it is run to the pipe line or broage tanks. Lessor's interest, in either case, to bear 0 of the cost of treating oil to render it marketable pipe line oil; (b) To pay Lessor or gas and casinghead gas produced from said land or in the manufacture of gasoline or other products, the market value, at the mouth of the well, or (2) when used by Lessee off said land or in the manufacture of gasoline or other products, the market value, at the mouth of the well, or (2) when used by Lessee off said land or in the manufacture of gasoline or other products, the market value, at the mouth of the well, or (2) when used by Lessee for said land or in the manufacture of gasoline or other products, the market value, at the mouth of the well, or (2) when used by Lessee for said land or in the manufacture of gasoline or other products, the market value, at the mouth of the well, or (2) when used by Lessee for said land or in the manufacture of gasoline or other products, the market value, at the mouth of the well, or (2) when said land or any portion thereof has been pooled, catable of producting oil or gas, and all such wells are shuf-in, this lease shall, nevertheless, continue in force as though operations were being conducted on said land for so long as said wells are shuf-in, and thereafter this lease may be continued in force as if no shuf-in any other produce, utilize, or market the minerals capable of being produced from said wells, but in the exercise of such diligence. Lessee shall not be obligated to install or furnish facilities other than well facilities and ordinary lease facilities
- hereof. In the event of assignment of this lease in whole or in part, liability for payment hereunder shall rest exclusively on the then owner or owners of this lease, severally as to acreage owned by goach.

  4. Lessee is hereby granted the right, at its option, to pool or unitize any land covered by this lease with any other land, issue, or leases, as to any or all minerate or horizone, so as to establish units containing not more than 30 surface acres; plus 10% acreage horizone, or existing units may be enlarged as to any one or more horizons, so as to contain not more than 340 surface acres plus 10% acreage loterance, if immited to one or more of the following; (1) gas, other than casinchead gas, (2) liquid hydrocarbons (condensate) which are not liquids in the subsurface reservoir. (3) minerals produced from wells classified as gas wells by the conservation agency having jurisdiction. If larger units than any of those herein permitted, either at the time established, or after angement, are permitted or required under any governmental rule or order, for the drilling or operation of a well at a regular location, or for obtaining maximum allowable from any well to be drilled, drilling, or sineady drilled any such unit may be established or enfaired to conform to the size permitted or required by such governmental order or rule. Lessee shall exercise said option as to each desired unit by executing an instrument identifying such unit and fining it for record in the public officie in which this lease is recorded. Such unit shall be come effective as of the date overded for in which this lease is recorded. Such purity and provision, then such unit shall be come effective or all purposes of this lease is in force, and whether before or after operations or production has been established either on said land, or on the portion of said and included in the unit, or or other land unitized therewith. A unit said-bished either on said land, or on the portion of said and included in the land proportion of the payment of u

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shall be implied or result merely from the inclusion of such separate tracts within this lease but Lessee shall nevertheless have the right to pool or unitize as provided in this paragraph 4 with consequent allocation of production as herein provided. As used in this paragraph 4, the words "separate tract" mean any tract with royalty ownership differing, now or hereafter, either as to parties or amounts, from that as to any other part of the leased premises.

- 5. Lessee may at any time and from time to time execute and deliver to Lessor or file for record a release or releases of this lease as to any part or all of said land or of any mineral or horizon thereunder, and thereby be relieved of all obligations, as to the released acreage or interest.
- 6. Whenever used in this tease the word "operations" shall mean operations for and/or any of the following: preparing the drillsite location or access road, drilling, testing, completing, reworking, recompleting, deepening, sidetracking, plugging back or repairing of a well in search for or in an endeavor to obtain production of oil, gas, sulphur or other minerals, excavating a mine, production of oil, gas, sulphur or other minerals, excavating a mine, production of oil, gas, sulphur or other mineral, whether or not in paying quantities.
- 7. Lessee shall have the use, free from royalty, of water, other than from Lessor's water wells, and of oil and gas produced from said land in all operations hereunder. Lessee shall have the right at any time to remove all machinery and fixtures placed on said land, including the right to draw and remove casing. No well shall be drilled nearer than 500 feet to the house or barn now on said land without the consent of the Lessor. Lessee shall pay for damages caused by its operations to growing crops and timber on said land.
- 8. The rights and estate of any party hereto may be assigned from time to time in whole or in part and as to any mineral or horizon. All of the coverants, obligations, and considerations of this lease shall extend to and be binding upon the parties hereto, their heirs, successors, assigns, and successive assigns. No change or division in the ownership of said land, royalties, or other moneys, or any part thereof, howsoever affected, shall increase the obligations or diminish the rights of Lessee, including, but not limited to, the location and drilling of successors or assigns, no change or division in the ownership of said land or of the royalties, or other moneys, or the right to receive the same, howsoever effected, shall be binding upon the then record owner of this lease until sixty (50) days after there has been furnished to such record owner at his or its principal place of business by Lessor or Lessor's heirs, successors, or assigns, notice of such change or division, supported by either originals or duly certified copies of the instruments which have been properly fited for record and which evidence such change or division, and of such court records and proceedings, transcripts, or other documents as shall be necessary in the opinion of such record owner to establish the validity of such change or division. If any such change in ownership occurs by reason of the death of the owner, Lessee may, nevertheless pay or tender such royalties, or other moneys, or part thereof, to the credit of the decedent in a depository bank provided for above.
- 9. In the event Lessor considers that Lessee has not complied with all its obligations hereunder, both express and implied, Lessor shall notify Lessee in writing, setting out specifically in what respects Lessee has breached this contract. Lessee shall then have sixty (60) days after receipt of said notice within which to meet or commence to meet all or any part of the breaches alleged by Lessor. The service of said notice shall be precedent to the bringing of any action by Lessor on said lease for any cause, and no such action shall be brought until the lapse of saidy (60) days after service of such notice on Lessee Neither the service of said notice nor the doing of any acts by Lessee aimed to meet all or any of the alleged breaches shall be deemed an admission or presumption that Lessee has tailed to perform all its obligations hereunder. If this lease is canceled for any cause, it shall nevertheless remain in force and effect as to (1) sufficient acreage around each well as to which there are operations to constitute a drilling or maximum allowable unit under applicable governmental regulations, (but in no event less that forty acres), such acreage to designated by Lessoe as nearly as practicable in the form of a square centiered at the well, or in such shape as then existing spacing rules require; and (2) any part of said land included in a pooled unit on which there are operations. Lessee shall also have such easements on said land as are necessary to operations on the acreage so retained and shall not be required to move or remove any existing surface facilities necessary or convenient for current operations.
- 10. Lessor hereby warrants and agrees to defend title to said land against the claims of all persons whomsoever. Lessor's rights and interests hereunder shall be charged primarily with any mortgages, taxes or other liens, or interest and other charges on said land, but Lessor agrees that Lessee shall have the right at any time to pay or reduce same for Lessor, either before or after maturity, and be subrogated to the rights of the holder thereof and to deduct amounts so paid from royalties or other payments payable or which may become payable to Lessor and/or assigns under this lease. If this lease covers a less interest in the oil, gas, sulphur, or other minerals in all or any part of said land than the entire and undivided fee simple estate (whether Lessor's interest is herein specified or not), or no interest therein, then the royalties and other moneys accruing from any part as to which this lease covers less than such full interest, shall be paid only in the proportion which the interest therein, if any, covered by this lease, bears to the whole and undivided fee simple estate therein. All royalty interest covered by this lease (whether or not owned by Lessor) shall be paid out of the royalty herein provided. This lease shall be binding upon each party who executes it without regard to whether it is executed by all those named herein as Lessor.
- 11. If, while this lease is in force, at, or after the expiration of the primary term hereof, it is not being continued in force by reason of the shut-in well provisions of paragraph 3 hereof, and Lesses is not conducting operations on said land by reason of (1) any law, order, rule or regulation, (whether or not subsequently determined to be invalid) or (2) any other cause, whether similar or dissimilar, (except financial) beyond the reasonable control of Lesses, the primary term hereof shall be extended until the first anniversary date hereof occurring ninety (90) or more days following the removal of such delaying cause, and this lease may be extended thereafter by operations as if such delay had not occurred.
- 12. Lessor agrees that this lease covers and includes any and all of Lessor's rights in and to any existing well(s) and/or wellbore(s) on said land, other than existing water wells, and for all purposes of this lease the re-entry and use by Lessee of any existing well and/or wellbore shall be deemed the same as the drilling of a new well.
- 13. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this lease, at the option of Lessee, which may be exercised by Lessee giving notice to Lessor, a well which has been drilled and Lessee intends to frac shall be deemed a well capable of producing in paying quantities and the date such well is shut-in shall be when the drilling operations are completed.
- 14. As a result of land development in the vicinity of said land, governmental rules or ordinances regarding well sites, and/or surface restrictions as may be set forth in this lease and/or other leases in the vicinity, surface locations for well sites in the vicinity may be limited and Lessee may encounter difficulty securing surface location(s) for drilling, reworking or other operations. Therefore, since drilling, reworking or other operations. Therefore, since drilling, reworking or other operations. Therefore, since drilling, or other leases in the vicinity, it is agreed that any such operations conducted at a surface location off of said land or off of lands with which said land are pooled in accordance with this lease, provided that such operations are associated with a directional well for the purpose of drilling, reworking, producing or other operations under said land or jands pooled therewith, shall for purposes of this lease bedeemed operations conducted on said land. Nothing contained in this paragraph is intended to modify any surface restrictions or pooling provisions or restrictions contained in this lease, except as expressly stated.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this instrument is executed on the date first above written.

STATE OF TEXAS ) COUNTY OF TARRANT

LESSOR(S)

Rodney

July 25, 2012

Signature

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This instrument was acknowledged before me on the <u>Q7</u> day of <u>October 2009</u>, by Rodney Nicks, asing the percent

Notary Public

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### EXHIBIT "A"

### LEGAL DESCRIPTION

Lot 6, Block 13, Fossil Lake, Section 2, an Addition to the City of Arlington, Tarrant County, Texas, according to the Plat recorded in Cabinet A, Slide 7346, Plat Records, Tarrant County, Texas.

### NO SURFACE USE

Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, Lessee hereby waives and releases all surface rights of every kind and nature acquired under this lease. Lessee shall not conduct any surface operations whatsoever upon the Leased Premises. However, this waiver of surface rights shall not be construed as a waiver of the right of Lessee to exploit, explore for, develop, or produce such oil or gas with wells drilled from outside of the leased premises and in no event may the drilling activity penetrate the land at a depth of less than 500 feet below the surface.